Subject: The Passion of the Christ Posted by Javaxcx on Fri, 16 Apr 2004 19:49:04 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Actually, I'd say that Catholicism is popular because (and this is a guesstimate) 8 out of 10 people accept the religion because it is so mainstream. It's basically the same reason the Gentiles chose Christianity over Judaism: It's just easier. Everyone has done all the work to "decipher" what the messages in the Bible were, and they blindly accept that as truth.

For the person who wants solid proof, Catholicism doesn't make much sense. If you analyse some very important issues, even rituals and sacraments, alot of them are conflicting with other teachings. If the Catholic Bible is truth, then why (and this is just an example) did Jesus die for our sins if priests could forgive them anyway? Both aspects are "assumedly" in the Catholic Bible, and they conflict... But since they conflict, does that mean that the Bible is fallible? Which one is actually the truth?

When that happens, you start questioning lots of things you can find in the Bible, and when you break it down, the foundation of the Catholic religion is flawed -- all the way down through the people in the institution. I wouldn't want my kid going to Church if the people who we are supposed to trust full heartedly are under investigation for child molestation.

Screw organized religion -- you're only going to make it harder on yourself.